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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application No.:	10/670,849	§	Examiner:	Joo, Joshua
Filed:	September 25, 2003	§	Group/Art Unit:	2454
Inventor:		§	Atty. Dkt. No:	5681-69900
Rahul L. Shah		§		
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Title:	Method and System for	§		
	Processing Instant	§		
	Messenger Operations	§		
	Dependent Upon Presence	§		
	State Information in an	§		
	Instant Messaging System	§		
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF APRIL 13, 2009**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of April 13, 2009, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.